Application No. Applicant(s) 10/694,797 SHIMIZU ET AL. Interview Summary Examiner Art Unit Luan K. Bui 3728 All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel): (1) Luan K. Bui. · (3)____. (2) Gang Luo. Date of Interview: 07 December 2005. Type: a) Telephonic b) Video Conference c) Personal [copy given to: 1] applicant 2) applicant's representative Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) Yes e) No. If Yes, brief description: _____. Claim(s) discussed: of record. Identification of prior art discussed: as applied. Agreement with respect to the claims f) was reached. g) was not reached. h) N/A. Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: See Continuation Sheet. (A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.) THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP Section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN A NON-EXTENDABLE PERIOD OF THE LONGER OF ONE MONTH OR THIRTY DAYS FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE, OR THE MAILING DATE OF THIS INTERVIEW SUMMARY FORM, WHICHEVER IS LATER, TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached sheet.

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Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Distinctions were pointed out between the claimed invention and the prior art of record. These were taken under advisement. During the interview, Applicant purposes to combine claims 1 and 3 and to include "a portion between the closure member and the interior of the ink bag is not filled with ink but inert gas" appears to overcome the rejection as applied. However, a decision on the patentability of each claim would be made upon the filing of the amendment.